Jannat of Allaah

What is Jannat Made of?

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports:

"Once I submitted: "O Rasulullaah: What is Jannat made of?"
In reply to this question, Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"It is made of bricks of gold and silver and its gravels are made of pearls and rubies and its clay that of saffron. Anyone who enters Jannat will live in peace and blessings of Allaah Ta'aala. He will need nothing, will always keep living and death will never approach him. Neither his garments will wear off nor his youth fade". [Ahmad,Tirmidhi]

Width of Jannat

The Noble Qur'aan says:

"Be you foremost (in seeking) forgiveness from your Rabb and a Garden (of Bliss), the width whereof is as the width of Jannat and earth, prepared for those who believe in Allaah and his Messengers". [Q. 57:21]

Jannat is extremely wide and spacious. What an ordinary Jannati will get there in reward is enough to show how wide it is. According to some traditions even an ordinary Jannati will see the favours of Allaah from a distance of one thousand years. He will have in his possession a place equal to the entire earth or ten times more than the earth. These examples are all for making the concerning people to understand.

Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Jannat contains a hundred stages; each of them has the capacity to accommodate the entire population of the world". [Tirmidhi]

Gates of Jannat

Hadhrat Umar bin Khattab (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Anyone of you who performs wudhu (ablution) and says:
Ash'hadua'an la ilaha il'llahu wahdahu la'sharika lahu wa'ash'hadu anna Muhammadan abduhu wa rasuluhu' - all the eight gates of Jannat will be (flung) open for him." [Muslim]

It is evident from this Hadith that there are eight gates into Jannat.

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that the Noble Rasul (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) mentioned:

"Anyone who spends in the way of Allaah two things of the same kind; (for example, two Dirhams or dinars or rupees or clothes) will be called to Jannat and said: "O Servant of Allaah! One who had been offering salaat (besides their obligatory acts) would be called in from the gate of Salaat; the one who was a engaged in Jihad would be called in from the gate of Jihad; the man of Saum would be called in from the gate called `Babur-Reyan".

Thereupon Hadhrat Abu Bakr (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) submitted:
"May my parents be sacrificed for you, who will be called from all the gates?"
Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) replied:
"Yes! and I hope you are one of them". [Tirmidhi]

The compiler of Fat-ul-Bari writes:
"The Hadith mentioned four gates: (1) Babu-ul-Salat, (2) Bab-ul-Jihad, (3) Bab-ul-Sadqa and (4) Bab-ul-Rayan.

Thereafter he writes: one gate must have been named Bab-ul-Hajj and one more for those who suppress their anger. Similarly, one gate (al-Bab-ul-Aiman) will be fixed for those totally relying on Allaah and they will enter the gate without their accounts being checked. There will still be another gate named Bab-ul-Zikr which has been referred to in a Hadith reported by Tirmidhi; and may be the eighth gate named Bab-uz'Zikr or rather Bab-il-Ilm". [Tirmidhi]

Once the governor of Basrah, Hadhrat Utbah bin Ghazwah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) said whilst delivering an address:
"Verily, you are to leave for a world from where you are to go nowhere. Hence go from here with a better record." He further said, *" We have been told that the distance between two gates is a journey of forty years; and it is certain that due to heavy congestion even this wide gate will look narrow".* [Muslim]

A Hadith reported by Bukhari and Muslim says that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) stated:
"By One in Whose possession lies my life, the distance between two gates of Jannat is the journey from Makkah to Hajr". [Targheeb Tarheeb]

Hadhrat Sahl bin S'ad (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"It is beyond doubt that seventy thousand or (he said) seventy lakh persons of my ummah will enter Jannat holding each other. Their faces will be shining like the moon of the fourteenth". [Bukhari, Muslim]

Two Groups Entering Jannat

Surah Waqi'a mentions three groups of people:

1. The companions of the Right Hand;
2. Those nearest to Allaah;
3. The Companions of the Left Hand.

Those who will be given their Records in their left hands. The first two groups , although will, be Jannati, but their positions will be quite different from each other. Muqarrabin will deserve special classes while As'habul Yamin i. e. Believers in general will be lower in position in comparison to the third group i. e. As'hab'ush-simal will be those of the Jahannum.

Allaah, the Exalted, has first made mention of the Muqar'rabin and has stated that among them a big group will consist of the former people and a small group will comprise the latter ones. But who are the former and latter people? In this connection the author of *"Bayan-ul'Qur'aan"* writes:

"By 'ancients' is meant the people from Adam to the Last Rasul (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) and by the latter is meant the Ummah of the Last Rasul (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) (i. e. Believers from the Age of the Last Rasul (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) up to the day of Qiyama- Resurrection".

He further writes:
"Majority of former are among the ancients and minority of former are among the latter because in every age particular types of people are less in number".

Allaah Ta'aala says:
"And those Foremost (in Faith) will be Foremost (in the Aakhiraat-Hereafter). These will be those nearest to Allaah; In Gardens of Bliss; A number of people from those of old, and a few from those of later times. (They will be) on couches encrusted (with gold and precious stones), reclining on them, facing each other. Around them will (serve) youth of perpetual (freshness) with goblets, (shining) beakers, and cups (filled) with clear flowing fountains; no after-ache will they receive therefrom nor will they suffer intoxication; And with fruits, any that they may select; and the flesh of fowls, and that they may desire. And (there will be) companions with beautiful, big and lustrous eyes, like pearls well-guarded. A Reward for deeds of their past (life). No Frivolity will they hear therein, nor any mischief,but only the saying, "peace, peace". [Q. 56:10-26]

After this the Noble Qur'aan makes mention of the Companions of the Right Hand.

"The Companions of the Right Hand: What will be the Companions of the Right Side? (They will be) among Lote-trees without thorns, among Tall trees with flowers (or fruits) piled one above the other, in shade long-extended, by water flowing constantly, and fruit in abundance. Whose season is not limited, nor (supply) forbidden, and on couches raised high. We have created them from a special creation. And made them virgin-pure (and undefiled), full of love (for their mates), equal in age, for the Companions of the Right Hand. A (good) number from those of old, and a (good) number from those of latertimes ".
[Q. 56:27-40]

Thereafter the Noble Qur'aan makes mention about the Companions of the Left Hand (the Jahannumi people) and their Chastisement. They will be in the midst of a Blast of Fire and in Boiling Water, and in the Shades of Black Smoke.

Entrance in Jannat with Honour and Peace

The Noble Qur'aan says:
"The righteous (will be) amid Gardens and fountains (of clear-flowing water)". [Q. 15:45]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Zumar:
"Until behold, they arrive there; its gates will be open; and its keepers will say: "Peace be upon you! Well have you done! Enter you here to dwell therein". [Q. 39:73]

That is to say, the people of Jannat will be made to enter with honour. The gates will remain open and the angels on guard into Jannat will extend their complements and congratulation on their ease and comfort there.

Congratulations After Entrance

The Noble Qur'aan says:
"Those who patiently persevere, seeking the countenance of their Rabb, establish regular prayers; spend, out of (the gifts). We have bestowed for their sustenance, secretly and openly, and turn off Evil with good, for such there is the final attainment of the (Eternal) Home, gardens of perpetual bliss; they shall enter there, as well as the righteous among their fathers, their spouses and their offsprings and angels shall enter unto them from every gate (with the salutation). Peace unto you for that you preserved in pertinence; Now how excellent is the final Home!"
[Q. 13:22-24]

Thanksgiving on Entering Jannat

The Noble Qur'aan says:*"They will say: "Praise be to Allaah, who has truly fulfilled His promise to us, and has given us (this) land in heritage; we can dwell in the Garden as we will; how excellent a reward for those who work (righteousness)!"*
[Q. 39:74]

They will be at liberty to roam about wherever they choose. It means they will have very vast lands for the purpose. They will be able to meet their friends and companions too.

The Noble Qur'aan says:
"And we shall remove from their hearts any rancour; beneath will be rivers flowing; and they shall say: "Praise be to Allaah, who hath guided us to this (felicity): Never could we have found guidance, had it not been for the guidance of Allaah, indeed it was the truth that the Rasul of Our Rabb brought for us " And they shall hear the cry" "Behold! the Garden before you; you have been made its inheritors, for your deeds (of righteousness)". [Q. 7:43]

First Breakfast of the Jannati Ones After Entrance

Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"On the Day of Aakhiraat, Earth will become bread and Allaah Ta'aala will serve it to his guests in Jannat".

While Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) was narrating this to his Companions (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) a Jew appeared and submitted: *"O Abdul Qasim: May Allaah bless you, and should I say which food will be served first for the Guests of Allaah in Jannat on the Day of Aakhiraat?"*
"Yes Tell me," the Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said.
The Jew narrated it in the same way and said:
"Earth shall change into bread".
Having heard this from the Jew, Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) laughed so that his jaw-tooth became visible.
Thereafter the Jew submitted:
"Should I tell you what will be the first curry to be served to the Jannati beings?"
"Tell me that too," Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said.

The Jew Said:
"That will be the liver of fish which could feed seventy thousand men".

There are numerous kinds of eatables in Jannat and the people of Jannat will be partaking of them. But the first breakfast to be served will be bread prepared from the earth. It is because the earth contains tastes of different kinds which are found in various regions in the form of fruit, food grains, vegetables, etc. and since nobody has eaten all the edibles of the regions, hence the bread of earth will provide them tastes of all the eatables put together. Moreover, while tasting from the edibles of Jannat they should become sure that all the edibles of earth were inferior in quality and tastes to those of Jannat.

Note The Noble Rasul (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) did not contradict the first breakfast to be served in Jannat as told by the Jews which means they were right. And about eating of seventy thousand men from the enlarged part of the liver of fish, Allama Nawawi (R.A.) the commentor of Muslim writes:

"A piece of flesh clings with the liver which is the best part of the liver as edibles. This enlarged piece is being referred to here".

Question: How the bread of earth could be eaten because if particles of earth are mixed with the bread, it becomes unedible?
Answer: All the food grains, fruit, dry fruit, vegetables etc grow in the earth, and they are so tasty. The same creator has the Power to turn even the earth into edible and to make it tasty for the tongue and easy to pass through the throat.

Stature, Piety and Beauty of the Jannati Men

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"The first group entering Jannat will have faces shining like the moon of the fourteenth, and the following group will have faces shining like the most illuminated star. All of them will be as one with one another harbouring no malice, hate, and enmity. Each of them will have two celestial brides. Nobody will fall sick therein. They will have utensils of gold and silver and combs of gold. Their sweat will be fragrant".

This Hadith bring to light the handsomeness of men and beauty of their wives in Jannat. It reports about the purity and cleanliness of the people of Jannat as they will need neither spitting nor cleaning the nose. In another narration it is being said *la yabutun wala yataghow'watuna'* (i. e. the Jannati will never need excreting). Sweating will not be the result of heat and the source of digestion of food. (It will be mentioned later). The sweat will be fragrant and pleasing.

In the above Hadith it is mentioned that the object in the grate of the people of Jannat will be timber. And it will be the timber of Jannati which is unparalleled with respect to its fragrance. But whether these grates will be burning with fire or anything else can not be said.

Note 1: Bukhari mentions that when Hadhrat Adam (A.S.) was created by Allaah Ta'aala, he was 60 cubits in height and whoever enters Jannat will have the same height as that of Adam.

Question: Will such people look normal?
Answer: When all of them are of the same height nobody will look abnormal.

Note 2: About the words "Bukratanw'wa ashia (morning and evening) used in the **Hadith** he says:

"By these words real morning and evening are not meant. Because there will not occur sunrise and sunset. There will be no change of situation at all nor will there be any arrival or departure of night and day".

Fateh-ul-Bari reports in a weak narration that a screen will appear to be clinging beneath the Throne of Allaah. Its folding will cause evening and unfolding will result in morning. That is, this screen will signify morning and evening at intervals and these will be the time for glorifying Allaah, and although they will find glorification of Allaah running with breath but they will like to glorify Allaah morning and evening of their own.

Bukhari reports that the stature of Hadhrat Adam (A.S.) was of 60 cubits when he was created, and each one entering Jannat will have the same height.

Jannati Men will be Beardless

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"The Jannati men will be quite young and beardless with eyes of collyrium-coloured. Their youth will have no aging nor will their garments be worn out". [Tirmidhi]

However, they will have hair on the heads for which combs of gold will be supplied to each of them.

Health and youth of the Jannati Men

Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"A Divine Proclaimer will call loudly in Jannat: "O Jannati Men, it is decided for you that you will remain healthy without falling sick; you will remain alive forever and taste no death; you will always remain young and will not become old, and will always have bounties of Allaah without being needy". [Muslim]

Age of the Jannati Men

Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Anyone who departs from the world, whether adult or under age, will look like a youth of 30 years and will remain so".
[Tirmidhi]
This is a medium age when a person is neither a child nor a delirium youth nor an old one.This is the age both of perfect youth and of complete understanding.

Gardens of Trees of Jannat

The Noble Qur'aan says:
"Verily for the Righteous there will be an Achievement, Gardens enclosed, and Grapevines, Maidens of Equal Ages; and a Cup full to the Brim". [Q. 78:31-34]

The Noble Qur'aan further says:
"As to the Righteous,they will be in the midst of Garden and Springs, taking joy in the things which their Rabb gives them, because, before them, they have done good deeds".
[Q. 51:15-16]

Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Verily there is a tree in Jannat in whose shadow the fastest and swiftest horseman will run for one hundred years without being able to leave it behind". [Bukhari, Muslim]

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"There is no tree in Jannat whose trunk is not of Gold". [Tirmidhi]

Hadhrat Jarir bin Abdullaah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports:
"Once I went to Hadhrat Salman Farsi (RadhiAllaahu-anhu). During conversation he lifted from the ground a piece of wood which was so small that it was hardly visible. He then said to me:
"O Jarir! If you will seek even a piece of wood equal to this one, you will not be able to do so". I asked him:
"Where will the plants and trees go?"
He said in reply:*" No doubt plants and trees will be there but they will not be wooden; their trunks will be those of pearl with dates clinging from them".* [Baihaqi]

Surah Rahman makes mention of two Gardens for each one nearest to Allaah Ta'aala:
"But for such as fear the time when they will stand before (the Seat of Aakhiraat) their Rabb, there will be two gardens - then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny? Abounding in Branches; then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny? In them (each) will be two Springs flowing (free); then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny? In them will be fruits of every kind, two and two. Then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny? They will recline on Carpets, whose inner linings will be of rich brocade: the Fruit of the Gardens will be near (and easy to reach). Then which of the favours of your Rabb will be near (and easy of Maidens), chaste, restraining their glances, whom no man or Jinn before them has touched; then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny? Like unto rubies and coral. Then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny? Is there any Reward for Good - other than Good? Then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny?"
[Q. 55:46-61]

Thereafter mention has been made of the Gardens of Believers in general:
"And besides these two, there are two other Gardens; then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny? Dark-green in colour (from plentiful watering). Then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny? In them (each) will be two Springs pouring forth water in continuous abundance; then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny? In them will be Fruits, and dates and pomegranates; then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny? In them will be fair (Maidens), good beautiful; then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny? Maidens restrained (as to their glances), in (goodly) pavilions; then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny? Who no man or jinn before them has touched; then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny? Reclining on green Cushions and rich Carpets of beauty. Then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny? Blessed by the name of thy Rabb of Majesty, Bounty and Honour".
[Q. 55:62-78]

The Noble Qur'aan says:
"Therein will they recline (at ease); therein can they call (at pleasure) for fruit in abundance,and (delicious) drink". [Q. 38:51]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Yassin:
"(Every) fruit will be there for them".
[Q. 36:57]

That is, they will have fruits of all kinds and tastes according to their likeness and desire.

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Waqia:
"And fruit in abundance. Whose season is not limited, nor (supply) forbidden". [Q. 56:32-33]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Dahr:
"And the shades of the (Garden) will come low over them, and the bunches (of fruit)". [Q. 76:14]

According to the commentator Ibn Kathir (RA), when a Jannati person will have a desire to have a fruit, it will come to him. He will pluck it standing, sitting or lying down at will.

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Muhammad:
"In it there are for them all kinds of fruits, and Forgiveness from the Rabb". [Q. 47:15]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Baqara:
"But give glad tidings to those who believe and work righteousness, that their portion are Gardens, beneath which rivers flow. Every time they are fed with fruits therefrom, they say: "Why, this is what we were fed with before", for they are given things in similitude; and they have therein spouses purified; and they abide therein (forever)". [Q. 2:25]

Ibn Kathir (RA), the Commentator reports from Hadhrat Ibn Abbas(RA) and other Companions (RadhiAllaahu-anhum) that the The people of Jannat while seeing the fruits will say that they had already seen these fruits in the world, but while eating them they will find them tasting differently.

Once there was eclipse of the sun during the time of Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam). He led the prayer for eclipse which was very lengthy. When he completed his prayer the eclipse was over. He stated: Verily the sun and the moon are from the Signs of Allaah Ta'aala. It does not occur due to anybody's birth or death. Hence Praise the glory of Allaah whenever you see the eclipse.

Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Jannat was presented to me. When I wanted to take a bunch of grapes but a barrier was placed between the grapes and myself and hence I could not reach it. Thereupon a certain person submitted : 'O Rasulullaah : what would be the quantity of juice from a grain of grape?' ".

Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) replied :
"Its juice can fill the biggest water-container your mother could make out of a piece of skin". [Abi Yala]

Once a Companion of Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) came from a village and submitted:
"O Rasulullaah! Allaah Ta'aala has mentioned (in the Qur'aan) about a tree which will be found in Jannat but which is painful".
"Which tree is that?" Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:*"That is the berry trees which is thorny and gives trouble to the pluckers of its fruit",*
Having heard this, Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) remarked:
"Has Allaah Ta'aala not mentioned?":
"There will be among Lote-tree without thorns". [Q.56:28]

Farming in Jannat

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that a villager was sitting in the assembly of Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) whilst saying that a man from The people of Jannat will request Allaah Ta'aala to allow him to farm there.
Allaah Ta'aala will say:*"You have everything according to your need".*
He will submit:*"I have everything, however, I want to do it".*
Thus he will be permitted. *And he will sow the seed but it will grow in a twinkling of an eye and will get reaped and heaped like a big mountain: Thereupon Allaah Ta'aala will say:*
"O son of Adam! nothing fills the stomach of your greed."
Having heard this the Companion from the village submitted:"By Allaah, that person must either be Qureshi or Ansari, because only these people take to cultivation; we do not do it. Why then should we request for this? Hearing this Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) smiled". *[Bukhari]*

Canals of Jannat

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Muhammad:
"(Here is) the description of the Garden which the righteous are promised., In it are rivers of water unstalling; rivers of milk of which the taste never changes; rivers of wine, a joy to those who drink; and rivers of honey pure and clear. In it there are for them all kinds of fruit; and forgiveness from their Rabb".
[Q. 47:15]

Hadhrat Ubada bin Samir (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Jannat contains a hundred layers. The distance between every two layers is as wide as it is between the earth and sky; `Firdous' is the Highest. Four canals of Jannat come from it. Allaah's Throne is over it. Hence, whenever you entreat Allaah for Jannat, entreat for Firdous". [Tirmidhi]

The Noble Qur'aan mentions in a number of places:

"Tajri min tahtihal anharu".

It means there are many canals flowing through the Gardens and balconies of the people of Jannat.
Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Canals of Jannat come from under the mountains of musk".
[Ibn Hibban]

Hadhrat Samak (RA), the pupil of Abdullaah bin Abbas (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) narrates:
"I met Hadhrat Abdullaah bin Abbas (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) and asked:"What is the land of Jannat like?"
He replied:*"Its made of silver which is very white like a mirror".*
I enquired:*"What is the light like?'*

He said: *"Have you seen the occasion when the sun is about to appear. The light of Jannat is exactly like that. But the light will have effect neither of sunheat nor coolness".*
I asked: *"What is the condition of its canals? Do they flow through the ditches?"*
He stated: *"No, they run through the levelled land without any slope".*
I enquired: *"What are the garments of Jannat like?"*
He replied: *"There is a tree in Jannat which has fruit like pomegranate. When a Friend of Allaah (Jannati person) will need any garment, its branches will come near and burst out giving out seventy pairs of garments of different colours. Later on, the branch will become intact and go back to its former place".* [Targhib and Tarhib]

Canal of Kauther

Hadhrat Anas (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"(On the Night of Ascension) I was passing through Jannat and I came across a canal which had domes of pearls on both of its sides. I asked the angel (who was escorting me) concerning it. He replied:
"It is Kauther which has been bestowed on you". Thereafter the angel stuck his hand at the canal and took musk from its soil.
[Tirmidhi]

Hadhrat Anas (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that once Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) was asked:
"What is Kauther?"
Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"That the canal which Allaah Ta'aala has bestowed on me. It is whiter than milk and sweeter than honey".
[Tirmidhi]

Fountains of Jannat

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Mursalat:
"As to the righteous, they shall be amidst (cool) shades and springs (of water). And (they shall have) fruits that they desire". [Q. 77:41-42]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Hashiya:
"(Other) faces that Day will be joyful, pleased with their Striving, in a garden on high, where they shall hear no (word) of vanity; therein will be a bubbling spring". [Q8]

Surah Ghashia denotes that nothing futile and useless will be heard there.

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Naba'a :
"Nothing nonsense and false will be uttered there". Surah Waqia speaks of the same thing. In fact, perfect peace will be prevailing there".

Drinks of Jannat

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Duhr: "As to the Righteous, they shall drink of a Cup mixed with kafur, a Fountain where the Devotees of Allaah do drink, making it flow in unstinted abundance" [Q. 76:5-6]
There the mention of *kafur* should not be taken as the *kafur* of the world. This is the *Kafur* of Jannat which leaves the mind fresh and peaceful.

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Duhr:
"And they will be given to drink there of a Cup mixed with Zangatul, a Fountain there, called Salsabil".
[Q. 76:17-16]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Mutaffifeen:
"Truly the Righteous will be in Bliss; On raised couches will they command a sight (of all things) you will recognise in their faces the beaming righteous of Bliss. Their thirst will be slaked with Pure Wine; the seal thereof will be musk; and for this let those aspire, who have aspirations; with it will be (given) a mixture of Tasnim; a spring from (the waters) whereof drink those Nearest to Allaah". [Q. 83:22-28]

Birds of Jannat

The people of Jannat will get meat of birds. Hadhrat Anas (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Verily, in Jannat, there are birds equal in size to the long-necked camels which go grazing among the trees of Jannat".

Having heard this Hadhrat Abu Bakr (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) submitted:
"O Rasulullaah! they must have been living a better life".
Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said in reply:
"Their eaters will have been living a life superior to them".
Following this Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) gave great tidings to Abu Bakr Siddique (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) and said:*"I hope you will be included in the list of those who will eat the meat of these birds".* [Ahmed]

The people of Jannat Eating with Honour

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Saffat:
"For them is a Sustenance determined, fruits; and they (shall enjoy) honour and dignity, in Gardens of delight. Facing each other on raised couches". [Q. 27:44]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Tur:
"As to the Righteous, they will be in Gardens, and in Happiness, enjoying the (Bliss) which their Rabb has bestowed on (them) and their Rabb shall deliver them from the Chastisement of the Fire. (to them will be said:) Eat and drink you, with profit and health because of your (good) deeds". [Q. 52:17-19]

Hadhrat Jabir (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Verily the people of Jannat will eat and drink in Jannat but they will neither excrete nor spit nor clean their nose there."
Thereupon the Companion (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) asked:
"What would happen to the foods?"
Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) replied:
"They will belch and have musk-like sweat, praise and glory of Allaah will remain in process like uncontrolled breath". Muslim

That is, they will be breathing without any break and no worldly work or business will be able to put a check on it. No comfort and pleasantries will distract their attention. As they live by breath in this world so will they live by praising the glory of Allaah Ta'aala.

Utensils of the Jannati

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Zukhruf:
"To them will be passed round, dishes and goblets of gold, there will be all that they would could desire, all that the eyes could delight in, and you shall abide therein (forever)". (Q.43-71)

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Dahr:
"And amongst them will be passed round vessels of silver and goblets of crystal, crystal-clear, made of silver; they will determine the measure thereof (according to their wishes)."
[Q. 76:15-16]

Jannati Drink Causing no Intoxication or Headache

The people of Jannat will drink wine in Jannat for its delicious taste. It will be holy and clean and will cause neither intoxication nor headache nor stomachache.
Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Saffat: *"Round will be passed to them a Cup from a clean flowing Fountain, crystal-white, of a taste delicious to those who drink (thereof), free from headiness; nor will they suffer intoxication therefrom".* [Q. 37:45-47]

Allaah Ta'aala says:
"Free of Frivolity, free of sin". [Q. 52:23]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Dahr:
"And their Rabb will give to them to drink a pure drink".
[Q. 76:21]

Mounds of the Jannati

Hadhrat Barida (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that a person submitted: *"O Rasulullaah: Would there be horses in Jannat".*
Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said: *"Should Allaah Ta'aala make you enter Jannat and you express your desire to mount on a horse of red ruby, it would materialise.Your horse will be flying in Jannat according to your desire".*
Another person asked: *"O Rasulullaah! Would there be camels also in Jannat?"*
Refraining from the reply given to the first man, Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"You will get everything according to your desire". [Tirmidhi]

A Companion (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) from a village visited Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) and enquired:
"I like horses very much. Would there be horses in Jannat". He replied:

"Should you be made to enter Jannat; you will be given a two-winged horse of ruby. You will be made to mount on that and the horse will fly you according to your desire".
[Tirmidhi]

Mutual Love of the Jannati

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Hajr:
"And We shall remove from their hearts any lurking sense of injury; (they will be) brothers (joyfully) facing each other on raised couches". [Q. 15:47]
That is to say, had there been malice towards anyone, it would be taken out before entry to Jannat and that place will be kept clean and pure from mutual malice and enmity.
[Bukhari, Muslim]

Hadhrat Abu Umama (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) is reported to have said:
"No Believer will be allowed to enter Jannat unless his breast is cleared of malice and enmity; Allaah Ta'aala will remove malice from the hearts of the Believers as the attacking beast is kept away".

Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) stated:
"When the Believers will be free from Jahannum, they will be held on a bridge extending between Jannat and Jahannum and they will have to pay back for their wrong-doings. They will be sent to Jannat after being cleansed and purified from all excesses and wrongs". [Bukhari]

Mutual Amusement among the Jannati

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Tur:
"They shall there exchange, one with another, a cup free of frivolity, free of sin". [Q. 52:23]

This exchange of cups will take simply for the sake of amusement.

Garments and Ornaments of the Jannati

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Kahf:
"As to those who believe and work righteousness, verily We shall not suffer to perish the reward of any who does a (single) righteous deed. For them will be Gardens of Eternity: beneath them rivers will flow: they will be adorned therein with bracelets of gold, and they will wear green garments of fine silk and heavy brocade: they will recline therein on raised thrones.How good the recompense! How beautiful a couch to recline on!"
[Q. 18:31-31]
The above *Ayah* refers to the golden bracelets of the The people of Jannat. Surah Dahr mentions bracelets of silver too. It means they will be made to wear bracelets both of gold and silver. They will also wear garments of silk of various kinds of rare quality.

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Hajj:
"Allaah will admit those who believe and work righteous deeds, to the Gardens beneath which the river flow: they shall be adorned therein with bracelets of gold and pearls; and their garments there will be of silk". [Q. 22:23]

This *Ayah* mentions that the people of Jannat will wear ornaments of pearls besides bracelets of gold.

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) stated:
"The ornaments of the Believers will reach up to where the port water reaches during wudhu". [Muslim]

Hadhrat S'ad bin Abi Waqqas (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"If an atom which is lifted by a nail from whatever lies in Jannat is shown to the world, it will get illuminated; if a man peeps into the world so that his bracelet is visible, the sunlight will lose its light as the stars do in the presence of the sun". [Tirmidhi]

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"One who enters Jannat will always be in bliss and will never turn needy; neither his garment will get rotten nor his youth will decay". [Muslim]

Crown of the Jannati

Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"The Jannati persons will have crown on their heads- the brightness- of an ordinary pearl of which will illuminate the East and the West and what lies between them". Q 18:31-31]

Beds of the Jannati

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Rahman:
"They will recline on Carpets, whose inner linings will be of rich brocade; the Fruit of the gardens will be near (and easy to reach).Then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny?" [Q. 55:54-55]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Rahman:
"Reclining on green Cushions and rich Carpets of beauty. Then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny? Blessed by the name of your Rabb, full of Majesty, Bounty and Honour".
[Q. 55:76-78]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Ghashiya:
"Therein will be couches (of dignity), raised on high.Goblets placed (ready) and Cushions set in rows, and rich carpets (all) spread out". [Q. 88:13-16]

Couches of the Jannati

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Waqi'a:

"And those foremost (in Faith) will be foremost (in the Aakhiraat). These will be those Nearest to Allaah; In Gardens of Bliss; a number of people from those of old, and a few from those of later times. (They will be) on couches encrusted (with gold and precious stones), reclining on them, facing each other". [Q. 56:10-16]

Hadhrat Ibn Abbas (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) said:
"Couches will be made of strings of gold". [Ibn Kathir]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Yassin:
"Verily the Companions of the Garden shall on that Day have joy in all that they do; they and their associates will be in pleasant shade, reclining on raised couches". Q 36:55-56]

Youths of Jannati

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Tur:
"Round about them will serve, (devoted) to them, youth (handsome) as pearls well-guarded". [Q. 52:24]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Dahr:
"And round about them will (serve) youths of perpetual (freshness): if you see them, you will think them scattered pearls". [Q. 76:19]

Both *wildan* and *ghilman* have almost the same meaning. Allaah Ta'aala has created celestial maidens to become spouses of the people of Jannat, who are, although, female, but they are quite different from humans. Similarly, the youths have been created to serve the people of Jannat and they will always remain young and handsome and the passage of time will not affect them at all.

In Surah Tur these youths have been likened to "Well-guarded pearls", because of their handsomeness, shine and cleanliness. Surah Dahr refers them as 'Scattered pearls' because of their quick movements in service.

Hadhrat Hasan and Qatada (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) report:
"Some of the Companions (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) asked:
"When servants are so (handsome) what would the served be like?"
Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"The served has the same superiority over the serving as the full moon has over the stars". [Mazhari]

Purified Spouses in Jannati

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Al-Imran:
"For the righteous are Garden in nearness to their Rabb with rivers flowing beneath; therein is their eternal home; with spouses purified and the good pleasure of Allaah.

For in Allaah's sight (all) are His servants". [Q. 3:15]
They will be free from pollution, eternal mischiefs (malice, enmity, hypocrisy, etc.) menstruation, etc.

In short, Jannati spouses would be free from all eternal and internal human weaknesses. They will have been at the height of piety and purity, neatness and cleanliness, habits and manners. They will never disobey their husbands.

Beauty of the Jannati Spouses

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Waqi'a:
"We have created them of special creation. And made them virgin-pure (and undefiled), full of love (for their mates), equal in age, for the Companions of the Right Hand". [Q. 56:35-38]

The believing women of the world will be raised young in whatever age they would have died. They will all be made virgin and pure and well-furnished with the beauties of Jannat.
In another *Hadith* an old woman visited Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) and asked:
"Rasulullaah! Kindly pray that Allaah ta'aala admit me to Jannat".
Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:*"No old woman will enter Jannat".*
The old woman left weeping bitterly. Thereupon Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) asked the companions (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) to inform her:
"I mean that she will not be old at the time of entering Jannat".

Hadhrat Anas (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Going out in the way of Allaah for a little part of the morning or the evening is better than this world or what lies in it. And if anyone of the celestial maiden happens to glance at the world, all that lies between the earth and the sky would get illuminated and perfumed". He further said: :Verily her `dupatta' (a smaller sheet used by a girl to cover her head) is better than the entire world and what it contains". [Tirmidhi]
Hadhrat Abdullaah bin Mas'ud (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) said:
"Verily the whiteness of the shin of the celestial women would be visible through 70 pairs of dresses and even the kernel of her shin would look transparent". [Tirmidhi]

Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that while explaining `*ka'anahannal yaqutu wal marjan'* stated:
"Jannati male will see her cheek to find it more crystal than the mirror, most ordinary pearls amongst her can illuminate the areas lying between East and West". [Ahmed, Ibn Hibban]

Maidens with Big, Beautiful and Lustrous Eyes

There will be found in Jannat beautiful maids with big and lustrous eyes. These virgins will be given in marriage to the Jannati males. They have been created by Allaah for the same purpose.

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Dukhan:
"And We shall wed them to maidens with beautiful big, and lustrous eyes". [Q. 44:54]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Rahman:
"In them will be fair (maidens), good, beautiful; then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny? Maidens restrained (as to their glances), in (good) pavilions; then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny? Who no man or jinn before them has touched; then which of the favours of your Rabb will you deny?" [Q. 55:70-75]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Waqi'a:
"And (there will be) Companions with beautiful, big, and lustrous eyes, like unto Pearls well-guarded". [Q. 55:70-75]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Saffat:
"And besides them will be chaste women; restraining their glances, with big eyes (of wonder and beauty). As if they were (delicate) eggs closely guarded". [Q. 37:48-49]

Particular Supplication of Maidens and Sympathy with Husbands

Hadhrat Abdullaah bin Umat (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that the Merciful Rasul (SAW) said:
"Verily right from the beginning of the year till the end. Jannat is decorated to greet the month of Ramadaan. On the first day of Ramadaan, the leaves of the Jannat fan the Maidens and under its spell they supplicate:
"O Rabb! appoint for us such husbands from your devotees who cool down my eyes and theirs from us" [Bukhari]

Hadhrat Maudh (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"If any woman troubles her husband in this world, his wife from among the Maidens of Jannat says: "Woe to you! don't trouble him, for he is your temporary guest and very soon he would come back to me". [Tirmidhi]

The above two *Ahadith* denotes that Maidens are also present like Jannati beings.

Hafiz Mindhari (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports from Hadhrat Umme Salma (RadhiAllaahu-anhu), the mother of the Believers in *Al-Targhib and wal-Tarhib* that she once asked the Blessed Rasul (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam):
"O Rasulullaah! Who will be better (in Jannat) - worldly (believing) women or the beautiful (heavenly) maidens?"
Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"The Worldly (believing) women will be as better than the Jannati maiden as the upper cloth (of a quilt) is better than the undercloth of it".
"Why so O Rasul?" Hadhrat Umme Salma asked .
"It is because the (believing) women in the world would offer Salaat and observe fast and pray to Allaah, the Exalted, the Rasul replied.
Thereupon Hadhrat Umme Salma (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) submitted:
"Some women in the world marry two or three or four men and then die. She will go to Jannat and her husbands will also enter Jannat, then (in such a case) who will be her

husband?'
Thereupon the Blessed Rasul (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) answered;
"O Umme Salma, she will be given power to choose any one of her husbands and she will choose the one best of all in respect of his morality." Saying this he (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) added:
O Umme Salma, good moral surpass all the virtues".

The above narrative is weak with regard to authenticity. Some narratives say that the women who marries another man after the first will be entrusted to the latter. Whatever be the case no man or woman will remain without a pair.

Song of the Maidens

Hadhrat Ali (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that the Merciful Rasul (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) said:
"Maidens of Jannat assemble at one place and sing such a melodious voice that nobody on earth would have ever heard. In their song they say:
"We are immortal and never perish; we will always live in peace and comfort and will never turn needy; we will never become angry with our husbands and remain happy with them; what to speak of them who are for us and we are for them". [Tirmidhi]

Polygamy for Males

There are different traditions regarding the number of wives a Jannati male will have. Bukhari reports:
"Everybody will have two wives from among the Maidens".

Hafiz Ibn Hajar(RA) has collected in his Fathul Bari many such traditions. He quotes from Musnad Ahmad:
"For an ordinary Jannati person there will be 72 wives in addition to two worldly wives".

In Abu Yali it is stated
"There will be two wives from the humans and 72 wives of the newly-created by Allaah Ta'aala in the next world".

In Ibn Majah it is recorded:
"In Jannat, every male will have 2 wives from the worldly human beings and 72 celestial Maidens".

In the collection of Fathul Bari some traditions are authentic while others are weak.
In short, it appears that the Jannati man will be conferred upon with a number of wives as a matter of His Favour and there will be none to less than two wives.

But so far as the number is concerned it depends on the degree of piety and righteousness of Jannati man. Thus the degree of difference in status will prescribe the number of spouses. (Allaah knows better).

Some people raise a question that if one man will be given many wives, how many husbands will be given to a woman? This question is quite nonsensical, because a number of wives for a man is blessing while many husbands for a woman is shameful, indecent and undignified. While such a disgrace cannot be put up with in the world who will

tolerate it to be right in Jannat? The Noble Qur'aan has described the quality of the Jannati women as those having their eyes lowered and looking towards none except their husbands. Thus these women will agree on only one husband while some people advocate a number of men for a dignified and graceful lady. These foolish people take even Jannati women to be like prostitutes or European women who run after men.

Manly Power

Since the wives of the Jannati would be more than one, his manly power would be increased.

Hadhrat Zayd bin Arqam (RA) reports that one of the Jews visited Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) and asked:
"O Abul Qasim! Do you say the people of Jannat will eat and drink?"
Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"By One in Whose possessions my life lies! every Jannati person will be given strength of one hundred men for eating, drinking and sexual intercourse".
Having heard this, the Jews asked:
"Anyone who eats and drinks needs excreting it as well, but Jannat is not a place for such pollution".
In reply to this question, Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"They would need no excretion; musk-like sweat would serve the purpose and make the stomach lighter". [Ahmad, Nasa'i]

Since Jannat is a pure and clean place hence no pollution of any kind is expected there. Neither any kind of excretion nor ejaculation can be there.They would enjoy more sexual taste without ejaculation.

Most of the delicious things in the world are mixed with pollution. But all things delicious and lovely in Jannat will be free from pollution, hence no such seminal discharge will be caused that pollutes body, bed, etc. but at the same time sexual passion will be satisfied more in comparison to the worldly condition and ejaculation will give more taste. And since every act in Jannat will depend on desire hence sexual act will also be subject to the desire of one who will continue it according to his need and satisfaction.

Note: Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that the Blessed Rasul (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) to have said: " When a Believer will express desire for a child in Jannat the pregnancy, delivery and full age of the child as a man (30 or 33 years) will be caused in a moment."
Some of the scholars have opined that sexual intercourse will be committed in Jannat without producing any child. Thus, Mujahid and Ibrahim Nakhai have the same opinion. But Is'haq bin Ibrahim, quoting the above Hadith, says:
"A Jannati person will never express any desire for an issue".

Hadhrat Abu Zarin (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports the Blessed Rasul (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) to have said:
"The people of Jannat will have no issue in Jannat". [Tirmidhi]

It means Jannat is a place for all desires to be the fulfilled. Hence, if a Jannati person develops a desire for an issue, his desire should be fulfilled according to the law of Jannat. But hence pregnancy and childbirth are not suitable for a place like Jannat. Allaah Ta'aala will make the Jannati person free from such a desire.

Market-place in Jannat

Hadhrat Saeed bin Musaiyab (RA) , a *tabi'i* (successors or contemporaries of the Companions of the Blessed Rasul (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) reports:
"I met Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) and he said to me: I entreat Allaah Ta'aala that He make us meet in the market-place of Jannat.
"Would there be a market in Jannat?" I enquired.
Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) said:
"Yes! Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) has told me that when the Believers will enter Jannat they will be allotted different classes according to their deeds. Thereafter they will be allowed to visit Allaah Ta'aala. That time Allaah Ta'aala will make His Throne visible and will appear in a big Garden of Jannat. For the visitors pulpits of Light, pearls, rubies, gold and silver will be arranged and they will be seated according to their status". Hadhrat Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) further said: "O Rasulullaah! Shall we see our Rabb in Jannat?"

Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Are you doubtful regarding your sighting of the sun and moon?""No", we replied.
"Similarly, you will not doubt in sighting Allaah Ta'aala and none of the visitors will be deprived of this favour. Allaah Ta'aala will also speak to the visitors."

Hadhrat Anas (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Verily there is a market in Jannat which will be visited by the Jannati on every Friday. The northerly wind will fill their faces and garments with fragrance and add to their beauty and handsomeness".

Hadhrat Ali Murtaza (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Verily there is a market in Jannat where there is neither selling nor purchasing; only beautiful faces of men and women will be found glittering there. Having seen them everybody will have a desire to have a face like that and it will be so then and there". [Muslim]

Sight of Allaah The Greatest Favour

Hadhrat Suhaib (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"After the admittance of the people of Jannat into Jannat Allaah Ta'aala will enquire:
"Do you want anything more?"
"Have you not illuminated our faces? Have you not been admitted into Jannat and saved from Jahannum?" Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) further said: *"Thereafter a curtain will be raised and they will sight Allaah Ta'aala. Then they will find this sighting as the greatest Favour of Allaah Ta'ala".* Following this Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) recited the following *ayah:*
"liladhina ahsanul husna wa zeada" (To those who do right is a goodly (reward), yea, more (than in measure)!"

Hadhrat Abu Zarin Aqeeli (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that he asked: *"Shall each of us have a sight of Allaah on the Day of Aakhiraat without any difference?"*
Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said: *"Yes of course!"* I asked: *"Is there any example in worldly creation?"*
He said: *"O Abu Zarin! Does each of you not see the full moon without any hindrance?"*
I replied: *"Yes we do so".* He stated: *"The moon is one of the creations of nature while Allaah Ta'aala is Most High and Magnificent".* [Abu Dawood]

Hadhrat Jabir (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"The people of Jannat would be rolling in Jannati Bliss that all of a sudden they would find a Light shining over their heads. Rasing their heads they will see Allaah Ta'aala

there. He will greet them by saying:
"As `sa'a, i a'aolu, ya ahlal jannah' (Peace be upon you), O people of Jannat!"

Thereafter Allaah Ta'aala will be looking at the people of Jannat and they to Him till He will goesbehind the screen leaving His light behind. [Abu Dawud]

Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"During the period the people of Jannat will be looking towards Allaah Ta'aala, who will not look at no favours or blessings".

Hadhrat Ibn Umar (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"In Jannat, the ordinary people among the Jannati from the standpoint of status would be one who would see the Gardens, Couches, Wives, Servants and other favours spreading over a distance of one Hundred years. And the highest in status among the Jannati would be one who will be graced with the sight of Allaah Ta'aala morning and evening. Thereafter, he recited the following ayah:
"Wujuhuin yamaidhin nadirah ila Rubbiha nazirah." Some faces, that day, will beam (in brightness and beauty, looking towards their Rabb". [Q. 75:22-23]

Entry of Sinful Believers to Jannat

The Believers will go to Jahannum in large numbers due to the commitment of major sins. But they will be taken out of Jahannum to be admitted to Jannat after being punished according to the nature and quantity of their sins. However, Unbelievers and Polytheists will always remain in Jahannum suffering chastisement.

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Baqara:
"But those who reject Faith and belie Our Signs, they shall be Companions of the Fire; they shall abide therein". [Q. 2:39]

Bukhari and Muslim report from Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Pulsirat will be placed on the back of Jahannum and of all the Rasuls I shall be the first to lead across it. Nobody would speak that day save them and would utter only: "Allaahumma sallim Sallim" (O Allaah! keep peace! keep peace!)

While passing through *Pulsirat* many of them will be caught by the crude nails and made to fall into Jahannum. But Allaah Ta'aala would ask the angels to pull out of Jahannum those who bore witness to *la ilaha illAllaah.*

Thereafter He will order the angels to take out of Jahannum those who worshipped Allaah. Thus the angels will do so; and they will be recognised by the signs of prostration, for Allaah Ta'aala has prohibited the fire of Jahannum to burn those spots.

Thus these people who would hate been terribly burnt will be taken out of Jahannum. After being taken out they will be washed with the Water of Life, so that they will grow like the growing of seeds on the straws running on water; that is they will change to fairness and health all of a sudden. [Mishkat]

Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports the Blessed Rasul (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"When the Jannati will go to Jannat and Jahannumi to Jahannum, Allaah Ta'aala will say: "Take out of Jahannum even those who even have faith equal even to a grain."

Thus even those who have been burnt to coal would be taken out of Jahannum and they will be put into Nahr-ul-Hayat (River of life). "

It is mentioned in a Hadith that those people will enter Jannat after coming out of *"Nur-ul-Hayat"* like pearls.

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports the Blessed Rasul (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) to have said:
"Among the people entering Jahannum two persons will make much noise. Allaah ta'aala will ask to pull them out. Thereafter He will enquire: "What made you create so much noise?"
"We did so to attract Your Mercy," they will submit.
Allaah will say: *"Of course! My mercy belongs to you and as such you put yourselves into the former place".*

Thus one of them will do so with the result Allaah will make that spot of Jahannum cold and secure; while another one will remain standing at his place. Allaah will ask him:
"What stopped you from putting yourself in Jahannum?"
"O Rabb! I hope You will not return me to Jannat when You have once taken me out"
"Go, your hope is fulfilled," Allaah will say.

Thereafter, both of them will be sent to Jannat by the Grace of Allaah.

Hadhrat Anas (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that the Rasul of Allaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Many people will be thrown into the Fire. But by His Mercy and Grace He will admit them to Jannat, and they will be called `jahan'namiyun'. [Bukhari]

This title will be allotted to them not by way of disgrace but for reminding them to the Blessings and Mercy of Allaah Ta'aala who put them into Jannat.

The Last Jannati to enter Jannat

Hadhrat Abdullaah bin Mas'ud (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"I know that person very well who will be made to come out of Jahannum last of all and will, therefore, be admitted to Jannat last of all. He will come out of Jahannum crawling on his belly and Allaah Ta'aala will say:
"Go and enter Jannat". When he will come to Jannat he will find that it is full. He will, therefore submit: *"O Rabb! Jannat is full".*
Thereupon Allaah Ta'aala will say: *"Go and enter Jahannum: I give you space more than ten times of the world".*
The man will become astonished and will utter: *"You tell me this out of joke O my Rabb although You are the Ruler".*
Narrating this (according to Abdulaah bin Masud) Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) laughed so heartily that his jaw-teeth became visible. [Bukhari]

Hadhrat Abdullaah bin Mas'ud (RadhiAllaahu-anhu)reports in more detail about the entrance of the Jannati. He reports that the Blessed Rasul (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"The last man to enter Jannat is one who will muster courage to come out from Jahannum and will walk falteringly, falling at intervals and burnt by flames at times. Thus when he leaves Jahannum behind he will turn towards Jannat saying:
"Glorified is one who saved me from you. In fact, Allaah Ta'aala has conferred this favour upon me which was given to none among the former and latter".

Thereafter a tree will be brought before him and he will remark:

O my Rabb! Draw me near this tree so that I may have shade and water (which is flowing beneath it)".
"May you submit any other petition should I fulfil this demand of yours" Allaah Ta'aala will say in reply:
"No my Rabb I shall never put any other demand whatsoever," he will try to convince.

Thus he will be brought near the tree. He will sit under this shade and drink water as well.Thereafter another tree will be raised before his eyes and this tree will be better than the former. Then (having had a look at it) he will submit:
"O Rabb; make me reach the (new) tree so that I may take a seat under it and drink water; I shall ask for nothing after it".
"O son of Adam! Had you not promised me to ask no more? Maybe you ask for something else should I bring you near this (new) tree". Allaah will reply.
"I shall ask for nothing more," he will promise again.

Allaah Ta'aala will take him to be invalid and fulfil this desire of his as well.

But after this he will be made to stand before a tree right near the gate of Jannat which will be more beautiful to look at than very former two. Casting a glance at this tree he will grow much restless and submit:
"O Rabb; make me reach near this tree so that I have its shade and drink water; I shall ask for nothing after that".
"O son of Adam! Had you not promised me that you will ask for nothing besides this tree: Allaah will say.
"I had promised My Rabb no doubt (but fulfil my desire for the last time) I shall ask nothing after this," he will submit.

Considering him to be invalid, Allaah will draw him near that tree; but nearing the tree he will hear sweet voices of the people of Jannat. He will (grow greedy) and will say:
"O Rabb; let me in." "Will your demand come to an end? Will you be satisfied if your are given equivalent to the world and its equal once again," Allaah Ta'aala will say.
"Are you making jokes at me, although You are Rabb of the worlds?" he will ask.

Describing this situation Hadhrat bin Mas'ud (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) laughed and said to his audience: *"You ask me not as to why did I laugh,?"*
"Please tell us why did you laugh?."The Blessed Rasul (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) had laughed in a similar manner (after narrating this Hadith)".

Thereupon the Companions (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) had asked:
"Why did you laugh O Rasulullaah?" "I laughed upon the laughing of Allaah when the servant said to Him whether He was joking with this inspite of being Rabb of the worlds".

Allaah Ta'aala will say:
"I cast no jokes at you; I have the power to perform what I desire". [Muslim]
The same event has been described by a Hadhrat Abu Hurairah and Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri (RadhiAllaahu-anhum) in almost the same way:

At the end of the narrative of Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) it is mentioned:
"At last (when he will enter Jannat) Allaah Ta'aala will say to him to take what he wants. Thus he will continue his desires fulfilled till all he desires will get fulfilled. Allaah Ta'aala will then tell him not have such and such desires fulfilled till all his desires will get fulfilled and Allaah will confer upon him twice again".

In another narration of Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Ta'aala will say:

"I gave you what you had desired and ten times more".

Thereafter he will enter his Jannati abode and two among his Jannati spouses will turn up and greet him with the following words:
"All glory be to Allaah, who gave you permanent life in Jannat and for us and ours for you". Thereupon he will say:
"None got what I have been given". [Mishkat from Muslim]

Hadhrat Abdullaah bin Mas'ud (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports:
"Certainly the last person to go to Jannat will be asked by Allaah: "Stand up and enter Jannat".
Having heard this he will say with a mark of displeasure on his face: *"Have you kept any space reserved for me? (the entire Jannat is packed to capacity)."*
"Years (there is much space left for you) go on occupying the entire space over which the sun rises and sets". Allaah Ta'aala will say.

Hadhrat Abu Saeed (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that the Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"For an ordinary Jannati there would be eighty thousand servants, seventy two wives and a dome of pearls and rubies, the length and breadth of which would be a distance from Jabia to San'a".
[Tirmidhi, Ibn Hibban]

Hadhrat Abu Dhar (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that the Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Verily I know that person who will come out of Jahannum and he will be brought to the fore on the Day of Aakhiraat. Then his minor sins will be brought to light, while the major ones will remain secret. He will confess each and every minor sin and will keep on fearing for his major sins. He will then be told. "Today there is one virtue for every sin of yours".

Being embarrassed and astonished the person will confess:
"I find many more of my sins missing".

Narrating this (according to the narrator) Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) laughed so that his jaw-teeth became visible. [Muslim}

From the above traditions honour, elevation,magnificence and splendor of an ordinary Jannati is understood. Now one can just imagine about the honour and status of person higher than the ordinary one. Some of the traditions confirm that the ordinary Jannati will see Allaah's favours spreading a distance covered by a journey of one thousand years, while others mention a journey of two thousand years or the whole world or ten times the area of the world. But all these words have been used to bring home the favour of Allaah to be conferred upon even an ordinary person. But it is according to their mental level and power of comprehension. However, by ordinary is not meant absolutely ordinary because even ordinary people are divided among various classes and each class will be rewarded according to status.

It is worth mentioning here that worldly people are addressed in their own terms and language but the fact will be known only after reaching there.There a person can get more than what he thought and guessed.

Rejectors and atheists doubt so large a space in Jannat. It is because of the lack of Faith and true knowledge. They refuse to accept what lies outside the circumference of their knowledge.

Jannat is still there and it is the creation of Allaah Ta'aala. Our father Adam (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) has been living there before descending to earth. And if the fact is beyond reason and understanding of the worldly people it is nothing very strange because lack of knowledge has reduced them to such an opinion. The claimants of knowledge and intellect have not yet been able to discover all the creatures of the world . They have not yet touched other planets.Thus if one does not know about the creation beyond the earthly and Jannati system it is not quite amazing. A few hundred years ago even America was unknown to man. When it was brought to human knowledge, human beings settled there. Hence, this viewpoint is based on foolishness and all claims of knowledge, learning and reason are quite false. As the frog, according to its senses, considers even the well to be a very big place, for it has never come into contact with the big oceans. Similarly, those making discoveries in the cosmos refuse to accept what lies beyond their knowledge and understanding. Thus, the rejectors of Jannat will also remain deprived of Jannat because of their arrogance. Undoubtedly, Jannat is a vast place and the entire earth and sky and all that lies between the two are inferior to its vastness and blessings.

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Dahr:
"And when you look, it is there you will see a bliss and a Realm magnificent". [Q. 76:20]

Eternal Life of Jannat

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Baiyina:
"Those who have Faith for righteous deeds, they are the creatures.Their reward is with Allaah: Gardens of Eternity, beneath which rivers flow, they will dwell therein for ever; Allaah will be pleased with them and they with Him; all this for such a fear their Rabb and Cherisher". [Q. 98:7-8]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Dukhan:
"Then can they call for every kind of fruit in peace and security; nor will they there taste death, except the first death; and He will preserve them from the Chastisement of the Blazing Fire, as a Bounty from Your Rabb! That will be the supreme achievement". [Q. 44:54-57]

According to one Hadith the Blessed Rasul (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) is reported to have said:
"When Allaah Ta'aala will have sent the Jannati to Jannat and the Jahannumi to Jahannum there will be left none to be sent to Jannat after being punished in Jahannum. A proclamation will proclaim in a loud voice: "O Jannati there is not death now! O the Jahannumi there is no death now! Everyone is now to live here permanently where he is".

[Targhib from Shaikhain]

Hadhrat Jabir (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that a certain person asked: *"O Rasulullaah! Would the people of Jannat sleep?"*
Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said: *"Sleep is the brother of death and the Jannati will not taste death".*

That is to say, the Jannati will need no sleep. Moreover, sleep is caused due to sickness or tiredness or labour and since all these things would not exist in Jannat, no question of sleep at all will arise. Sleep is meant for refreshing and energy and these would be found in Jannat in abundance.

All Desires Fulfilled

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Zakhruf:

"There will be all that the souls would desire; all that the eyes delight in; and you shall abide therein ".
[Q. 43:71]

When all the wishes and desires are fulfilled nothing would be left to make one suffer physically or spiritually, but nobody, even if he be king, gets all his desires fulfilled and hence he is sad or worried and anxious at times. But Jannat is a place where no desire would remain unfulfilled.

Not Asked to Leave

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Hajr:
"There no sense of fatigue shall touch them, nor shall they (ever) be asked to leave". [Q. 15:48]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Kahf:
"As to those who believe and work righteous deeds, they have, for their entertainment, the Gardens of Jannat, wherein they shall dwell ; no change will they wish for from them".
[Q. 18:107-108]

Since all the wishes and desires would be fulfilled in Jannat, nobody would ever want to go out of it.

Declaration of Allaah's Pleasure

Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said: *"Verily, Allaah Ta'aala will say," "O people of Jannat! Here I am to do your bidding, my Rabb!"* they will submit. Allaah Ta'aala will enquire:
"Are you pleased?"
They will submit: *"O Rabb! You have conferred on us such Favours of Yours that You gave to none others, why should we not be pleased with You?"* Allaah Ta'aala will say: *"Should I not bestow on you a better Favour?"* They will submit:
"What would be better than what we have, O Rabb?"
Allaah Ta'aala will say in reply: *"Look! I am going to bestow on you My utmost Favour for ever and I shall never be displeased with you".* [Bukhari, Muslim]
Hence the greatest Favour in Jannat is the Pleasure of Allaah. And what else can a slave want? The declaration of the Pleasure of Allaah would give such a heart-felt pleasure that no other Favour could be able to equalize that.

"As to those who believe and work righteous deeds, they have, for their entertainment, the Gardens of Jannat, wherein they shall dwell ; no change will they wish for from them".
[Q. 18:107-108]

Classes of Jannat

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said: *"One who believed, established Salaat and observed fast is bound to be admitted to Jannat".* Thereupon, the Companions (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) asked: *"Should we convey the good news to others?"* Answering to the affirmative, Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said: *"Verily, Jannat has hundred classes which have been created for the fighters in the way of Allaah. The distance between two classes is*

like that between the earth and sky. Hence, whenever you entreat , entreat for Firdaous, for it is the best and the highest of all. The throne of the Merciful is being placed on it and from where the (four) canals of Jannat emerge".
[Bukhari]
The author of Fath-ul-Bari writes:
"This Hadith indicates that one hundred classes of Jannat are meant for fighters in the way of Allaah. But it does not mean that there may not be other classes for non-fighters, although lesser in degree".
Kitab-ul-Jihad
The reciter of the Qur'aan will be addressed" *"Recite and keep going up class by class; recite step by step as you would recite in the world; your position will go high up to the last verse".*

Highest Place in Jannat

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Furqan:
"Those are the ones who will be rewarded with the highest place in Jannat, because of their consistence patient ; Therein shall they be met with salutations and peace, dwelling therein; how beautiful in abode and place of rest!" [Q. 25:75-76]
Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Zumar:
"But it is for those who fear their Rabb,that lofty mansions, one above another, have been built; beneath them flow rivers!"
[Q. 39:20]
Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) report that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Verily, the people of Jannat will look towards the people of upper stories as you see the shining star that is visible late at dawn on the eastern or western horizon. The difference in their classes would be on account of their status on the basis of their deeds".

Thereupon the Companions asked: *"O Rasulullaah! such a high status would be attained only by the Rasuls and none else".*
Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said: *"By One in Whose Hand lies my life (besides the Rasuls) there would be such people who believed in Allaah and testified to the Rasuls".* [Bukhari, Muslim]

However, the status of the Rasuls would be higher than others because even the upper storeys would be classified according to status.

Surah Furqan first describes the qualities of the righteous and the pious. In the last they have been communicated glad tidings of the upper chamber. Surah Zumr mentions about the upper chamber for the pious and Allaah-fearing. It is clear from this that upper chamber will be allotted only to men of high status.

Hadhrat Abu Malik Ach'ari (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) to have said:
"Upper chambers are undoubtedly there in Jannat (which are so transparent) that their external part can be sighted from inside and internal from outside. (These upper chambers) are made by Allaah Ta'aala for those who speak softly, serve food to the guests and the needy, observe fast most frequently and offer Thujjud Salaat in the night when others are in deep sleep".

[Bahaqi]

Camps and domes of Jannat

Hadhrat Musa Ash'ari (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Verily, a camp of the Believers would be made of a single pearl. (This very big pearl) would be hollow from within; its length would cover 60 miles. Each of its corner would contain space (for wives and servants) and the inmates of one corner would not be able to see in the other corners due to the lengthy distance".
"For Believers there would be two Gardens (In Jannat) with goods and chattels of silver and other gardens having everything of gold". [Bukhari]

Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri Sayyidina Abu Bakr (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"An ordinary Jannati would be one who has eighty thousand servants and seventy wives and dome of pearls and rubies erected for him with a length and width of the distance between Jabie and San'a". [Tirmidhi]

Seasons of Jannat

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Dahr:
"And because they were patient and content He would reward them with a Garden and (garments of silk). Reclining on the (Garden) on raise couches they will see there neither the sun's (excessive heat) nor excessive cold". [Q. 76:12-13]

The Author of `Tafseer Mazhari' while explaining this ayah writes:*"There would be neither summer nor winter in Jannat for maintaining the weather temperate".*

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Ra'd:
"The parable of the Garden which the righteous are promised! beneath it flows rivers; perpetual is the fruits thereof and the shade therein". [Q. 13:35]
This *ayah* indicates that Jannat would have permanent shade.
Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Nisa'a:
"But those who believe and do deeds of righteousness. We shall soon admit to Gardens, with rivers flowing beneath, their eternal home; therein they shall have spouses purified we shall admit them to shades, cool and ever-deepening". [Q. 4:57]

All Comforts and no Tiredness

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Fatir:
"And they will say: Praise be to Allaah, Who has removed from us (all) sorrow, for our Rabb is indeed Oft-forgiving ready to appreciate (service). Who has out of His Bounty, settled us in a Home that will last; no toil nor sense of weariness shall touch us therein". [Q. 35:34-35]
Nothing would cause anxiety, bitterness, sadness or exhaustion of any kind in Jannat, because their would be neither anxiety nor earning bread nor fear of death nor old age, nor disease, nor grave, nor the Day of Aakhiraat. There is all comfort and no worry.

Now they have come to settle in "Darul-muqama" leaving all fears, anxieties, tiredness, and exertion behind. This is the most suitable and comfortable place to live in. None will have a desire to leave this place nor will he be driven out. Everybody will enjoy respect and honour, utmost favour of Allaah without being involved in any trouble or anxiety.

Talk of the Jannati

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Saffat:
"Then they will turn to one another and question one another. One of them will say: `I had an intimate companion (on the earth), who used to say, do you really believe? When we die and become dust and bones, shall we indeed receive rewards and punishments?" [Q. 37:50-53]

Allaah Ta'aala says in Surah Saffat:
He said: "Would you like to look down? He looked down and saw in the midst of the Fire". [Q. 37:54-55]
Hadhrat Abdullaah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) said:
"Jannat would have ventilator like windows and therefor the Jannati would glance at the Jahannumi".

He said: "By Allaah! you were a little short of bringing me to perdition! Had it not been for the Grace of My Rabb, I should certainly have been among those brought (there)!" [Q. 37:56-57]

Surah Tur mentions a talk among the Jannatis:
"They will advance to each other, engaging in mutual enquiry. They will say: Aforetime, we were not without fear for the sake of our people. But Allaah has been good to us, and has delivered us from the Chastisement of the Scorching Wind. Truly, we did call unto Him from of old". [Q. 52:25-28]

Surah Yunus mentions:
"Those who believe, and work righteousness, their Rabb will guide them because of their Faith; beneath them will flow rivers in Gardens of Bliss (This will be) their prayer therein: `Glory to You, O Allaah!' and `peace' will be their greeting therein and the end of their prayer therein: praise be to Allaah, the Cherisher and Sustainer of the Worlds!" [Q. 10:9-10]

The explanation which comes to light from the translation belongs to the author of "Bayan-ul-Qur'aan". The author of "Ma'aim-ul-Tanzil" writes in his explanatory notes:
"Whenever the Jannati will express their desire for eating something they will merely utter:
"Subhanaka Allaahumma", Having heard this the servants will serve food without loss of time. While finishing their meal they will say 'Alhamdu lillahe Rabbil alamin'.
Commenting on' Tahiyutuhim fiha salamun', He writes:
"The Jannati will exchange Salaam among themselves."
He has also stated: *"Angels will convey to them Salaam of Allaah and the commentary of Tahiyatuhum fiha salamun can be made in all these three ways".*

Ibn Kathir (RA) reports from Ibn Jurah(RA) that when a bird will pass through them they will say *Subhahaka Allaahumma*. Thereupon the angels will, according to their will, bring the bird to them and present it with salutation which they will reply saying: *tahayatihim fiha salamun*. While is mentioned in *Akhiru sawahum anil hamdi lilah rab'bil alamin.*

Therefore Ibn Kathir(RA) reports Sufyan Thauri(RA) to have said that whenever the Jannat express a desire to have something of their choice they will only say *Subhanaka Allaahumma* and their desired objects will be there at once.It means that the explanation as advanced by Ibn Jurrih(RA) is only exemplary otherwise for every desire to be fulfilled the Jannati will say only *Subhanaka Allaahumma*. And to say that the angel will make representation with the bird maybe a matter of a particular time otherwise it has already passed that birds will be coming to the Jannati on their own.

Detailed Account of Jannati Bliss

When the Believers go to Jannat after hearing of a reading about the Bliss of Jannat they will find there much more. Bliss of many kinds have found no mention in the Qur'aan and Hadiths. They will come to know about those Jannati Bliss only after seeing and using them. Nobody will know them in the world.

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) has said that Allaah Ta'aala says:
"AlI have created for My Devotees things which have never been noticed or heard of or experienced."

Narrating this Rasulullaah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) recited:
"Now no person knows what delights of the eyes are kept hidden (in reserve) for them". [Q. 32:17]

'Muslim' reports that the Blessed Rasul (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) to have said after mentioning the above one *Balha ma atakumullahi alaihi"* (i. e. the favours and blessing of Allaah are much more than what has been mentioned in the Noble Qur'aan.

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) reports that Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"Even the dump of Jannat is better than the world and what it contains".

Moreover, Rasulullaah ((SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"The portion of land in Jannat which is sufficient for keeping half of the bow is better than all these things over which the sun rises". [Bukhari]
When the rider gets down from his mount he first drops his whip to occupy the place for him. Similarly the pedestrian puts his bow before taking a seat. The Blessed Rasul (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) has said for the sake of bringing his point home that the portion of land of Jannat where a whip or half a bow may be kept is better than the entire length and breadth of earth. Now what to speak of the entire Jannat before whose space thousands of such worlds have no value.

Hadhrat Abdullaah bin Abbas (RadhiAllaahu-anhu) said:
"Anything in this world does not resemble the object in Jannat except names". [Baihaqi]

It means the references of gold, silver, pearl, silk, tree, fruits, dry fruits, couches, clothes of Jannat have no parallel to these things of our world.

Fragrance of Jannat

Jannat is full of fragrance and one cannot feel it in this world. The fragrance of Jannat is matchless, it is fine, aromatic and very strong.

According to one *Hadith*, the fragrance of Jannat may be smelt from a distance of 500 years journey.

Scholars of Hadith have written that covering of more distance or less solely depends on the status of the individuals.

Is Anybody Ready to Work for it?

After knowing about the bliss, favours, comforts and pleasures of Jannat everybody must be thinking of entering it. But only wishes, desires, and yearnings would not do. One has to work righteous deeds for it. How foolish are those who harbour a desire to go to Jannat but do nothing to achieve it? They rather pass a life of utter carelessness and negligence, immersed in vices.

Every believer is required to follow the commands of Allaah in every department of life.

In the Noble Qur'aan Allaah Ta'aala has purchased the lives and properties of the Believers in return for Jannat. Hence, it is incumbent on the Believers to deserve Jannat by fulfilling the demands of the Divine Code. But to claim Jannat inspite of keeping asleep while the caller is calling for prayer; evading fasts; dying without performing Hajj for love of money; losing consideration in permitted and prohibited in business; usurping other's money by foul means; thinking the learning of the Qur'aan and Hadith as an act of indecency; committing offences against the weak; using the destitute as bonded labour; considering the taking of bribe as something obligatory; usurping wealth and property of the orphans; feeling disturbed at the offering of *nawafil* (supererogatory prayer) and avoiding the remembrance of Allaah; it is sheer foolishness. One has to keep his self under control for achieving upper classes of Jannat and put up with the displacer of self in putting divine code into practice. It is mentioned in a Hadith:

"Jahannum has been surrounded with desires and Jannat with displeasures".

That is, Jannat lies behind displeasure of bearing hardships in offering prayers, being faithful to Allaah, and Exalted and keeping away from prohibited desires. Hence, the main source of reaching Jannat is to bear displeasure. On the contrary, one who is immersed in desires and does not worry about the question of permitted and prohibited, his lusts and desires will take him to Jahannum.

In one Hadith:
"The wise is one who keep his desire under control and work righteous deeds for the Aakhiraat- Hereafter; the unwise is the one who is guided by his desires and pins his faith in Allaah Ta'aala". [Tirmidhi]

Anyone who want to enter Jannat and keep himself safe from Jahannum would not prefer this world to the Hereafter. Indeed, it is height of folly to be oblivious of one's permanent abode.

Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) said:
"I saw nothing like Jahannum whose deserter remains neglectful and a more attractive place like Jannat whose cherisher keep sleeping". [Tirmidhi]

Worldly life is a journey whose destination for the Believer is Jannat. But attainment of Jannat requires hard labour for the object which is very precious requires labour of the same magnitude.
Rasulullaah (SallAllaahu alayhi wasallam) is reported to have said:
"Anyone who fears (long and arduous journey) starts right early in the night and one who starts early in to he night reaches his destination. Look! the bargain of Allaah is dear, Look! Allaah's bargain is Jannat". [Tirmidhi]
That is, how amazing it is that one gets doing Jahannumi acts inspite of being sure of Jahannum miseries and torments and sleeping comfortably even after being attracted towards the favours and blessings because of their sluggishness. But it is astonishing that those trying to save themselves from the Fire of Jahannum and having desire for

Jannat pass time in idleness and inactivity.

When a person has to go on a journey to achieve some worldly purpose, he makes preparations very early and earnestly and makes sacrifice of his peace and comfort for leaving on the appointed time. The traveller of the Hereafter should learn a lesson from this, and should follow the Commands of Allaah Ta'aala instead of obeying his own desire. A man sacrifices his all for worldly gains but does very little or almost nothing for Eternal Abode!